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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Gatto Joseph C. Jr. Issuer Symbol CALLON PETROLEUM CO [CPE] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1401 ENCLAVE PARKWAY 05/14/2018 below) below) President and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77077 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned (Instr. 8) (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 05/14/2018 05/14/2018 M 24,848 Α \$0 174,230 D Stock Common 9,778 05/14/2018 05/14/2018 F D D 164,452 (1) 13.85 Stock Common 401(k)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
2015 RSU - Stock (2)	<u>(3)</u>	05/14/2018		M		24,848	05/14/2018	05/14/2018	Common Stock	24,848
2015 Phantom Units (2) (4)	\$ 13.94 (5)	05/14/2018		M		4,385	05/14/2018	05/14/2018	Common Stock	4,385

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Gatto Joseph C. Jr. 1401 ENCLAVE PARKWAY HOUSTON, TX 77077	X		President and CEO					

Signatures

Joseph C. Gatto, Jr. by Stacy E. Skelton, as Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Payment of tax liability by withholding Common Stock incident to vesting of Restricted Stock award issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3.
- (2) These units/shares are subject to three-year cliff vesting with all units/shares vesting on the third anniversary date following the grant date
- (3) Restricted stock units convert into the equivalent of one share of Callon Petroleoum Company's common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) The terms of this phantom unit award specify payment in cash rather than in common shares.

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Each phantom unit is the economic equivalent of one share of the company's common stock at the average of its opening and closing price on the vesting date, which was \$13.94.

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